

Fiscal Note

Fiscal Services Division



SF 478 – Medicaid Host Homes (LSB2426SV)

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Fiscal Note Version – New

Description

[Senate File 478](#) directs the Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide a daily reimbursement rate for Supported Community Living (SCL) services under Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waivers taking place in the home of a relative or in the home of a person who is legally responsible for the Medicaid member and is also the provider of the services. The DHS is required to ensure that the relative or person legally responsible for the Medicaid member meets all provider qualifications and has the ability to meet the needs of the member.

Assumptions

- The new family home model for SCL assumes a one-to-one staff-to-member ratio, with an average cost of \$260 per day.
- The current SCL model has a staff ratio that is greater than one to one, and the average daily cost is \$179 per day.
- It is assumed that 220 (5.0%) of the 4,400 members on the Intellectual Disabilities Waiver would switch from the current SCL model to the new family home SCL model.
- The Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate for FY 2018 is 58.05% federal and 41.95% State.

Fiscal Impact

[Senate File 478](#) is estimated to increase General Fund expenditures by \$2.7 million in FY 2018 and FY 2019. Although the Bill takes effect upon enactment and is retroactive to March 1, 2017, it is assumed that it would take some time to shift individuals to the new family home model, limiting any fiscal impact for FY 2017.

Source

Department of Human Services

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